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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, NO
SUBJECT: PRE POSITIONING WRM AT COB'S

1. FOR THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS, THE SUBJECT OF PREPOSITIONING MATERIEL IN NORWAY HAS RECEIVED PRESS ATTENTION AND HAS BEEN MORE OPENLY DISCUSSED BY GON OFFICIALS. THE RECENT GON/HMG AGREEMENT TO STORE SNOW VEHICLES IN NORWAY AS WELL AS REPORTS ON OSLO/OTTAWA DISCUSSIONS HAVE HEIGHTENED INTEREST IN IMPROVING REINFORCEMENT OF NORTHERN FLANK.

2. STATEMENTS BY SENIOR MOD OFFICIALS AND STORTING REPS HAVE MADE THE POINT THAT PREPOSITIONING WOULD NOT CONTRAVENE NORWAY'S PROHIBITIONS AGAINST PEACETIME BASING OF FOREIGN FORCES IN NORWAY. THE VARIOUS US PREPOSITIONING POSIBILITIES, INCLUDING COB WRM, HAVE NOT BEEN MENTIONED.

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3. THE MISSION FEELS STRONGLY THAT THE TIME HAS ARRIVED FOR THE USG TO MOVE BEYOND DISCUSSION OF THE PRINCIPLE OF PREPOSITIONING (WHICH THE GON HAS CLEARLY ACCEPTED) AND TO BEGIN REVIEWING SPECIFIC STEPS THE US CAN TAKE TO IMPROVE ITS REINFORCEMENT CAPABILITY OF NORWAY THROUGH PRESTOCKAGE. THE STORAGE OF WRM AT ONE OR MORE OF THE COBS WOULD SEEM TO OFFER AN EXCELLENT

FIRST GOAL. WE UNDERSTAND FROM CHOD REPS THAT PREPOSITIONING, IN THEIR OPINION, IS SUFFICIENTLY SPELLED OUT IN EXISTING COB AGREEMENTS SO THAT THEY WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO MOVING AHEAD ON THE PROJECT. IF PREPOSITIONING OF WRM SEEMS PRACTICABLE AND IF AUTHORIZED TO TAKE IT UP FORMALLY WITH THE GON, WE WILL PURSUE IT WITH ALL RELEVANT NORWEGIAN AGENCIES.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) EVALUATION OF FEASIBILITY OF PRESTOCKING WRM AT SELECTED NORWEGIAN COBS (B) AUTHORIZATION TO DISCUSS SUBJECT WITH GON.
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